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Police appeal after three attacks on women

POLICE are warning women in Greatstone to be on their guard and to avoid walking alone after a string of attacks over the weekend.

A serious sexual assault and two physical attacks took place on Friday night and in the early hours of Saturday in the Grand Parade area, and a mobile police station has been set up near the Romney Tavern pub to reassure residents.

Two potential witnesses have already come forward after CCTV images were released of two men police said they wanted to speak to

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following the three assaults along the seafront. They are not being treated as suspects.

Detective Inspector Lee Whitehead, who is leading the inquiry, said: "We want to talk to anyone who was in the area of the seafront at Greatstone on Friday evening or in the early hours of Saturday morning. Please come forward and speak to officers, you may have important information which could help this investigation."

"We also want to speak to anyone who may have either witnessed or encountered any unusual activity in

this area in the past few months. However insignificant it may have seemed at the time, it may now be important for this inquiry."

"We know people in the area will have concerns and would urge them to talk to officers at the mobile police station. People should carry on and enjoy their nights out as normal but should pay due regard to their safety."

"Avoid walking alone, make sure you have a lift home and ensure others know where you are and what time you are due back."

Between 8.30pm on Friday and 2.30am the following morning

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GRAPPLE FANS IN FOR A TREAT

'Xtreme' Dean Allmark and Little Legs Mark Sealey will be battling it out, along with other contenders when wrestling lands at the Leas Cliff tomorrow (Thursday).

All-Star American Wrestling is coming to Folkestone, with a fiercely competitive Great Britain versus North America theme the major theme of each tournament.

Other stars include 'Vampire Warrior' Gangrel, dual world title-holder Joe E Legend, high-flying 'American Dragon' Bryan Danielson and towering 'American Disaster' Brody Steele.

A VIP backstage pass to meet the event's top wrestlers is available to the youngster who brings along the best banner.

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Homelessness 'snapshot' not true picture, says charity

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A SURVEY which found just one person sleeping rough on Shepway's streets is not a true reflection of the size of the problem, according to a homelessness charity.

Porchlight, formerly known as East Kent Cyrenians, conducted the search in six local authority areas and last Wednesday night said they had found one person sleeping on the district's streets.

By comparison, in Canterbury four people were found sleeping rough, with evidence of three more; two were found in Ashford; in Dover one person was sleeping on the streets, with evidence of two more; and in Thanet one was sleeping rough with evidence of one more.

Porchlight's Mark Parry said: "Unfortunately the figures are not a true reflection of the homelessness problem in any of the areas. In Shepway, for example, we know of far more than one rough sleeper."

"The figures do not record the 'hidden homeless', for example those who are 'sofa surfing' at a friend's house.

"Rough sleepers also seek out places that are not obvious, due to the dangers they face on the streets."

He said the figures collected on the night were only a "snapshot" and that between July and September, this year, 295 referrals were received for the charity's service, with 60 per cent of them being rough sleepers.

Twenty-nine of those were from Shepway, with a third of them aged 18-24.

There are also 199 people on the waiting list to use the service, 112 of



ON THE STREETS: But the true level of homelessness is often hidden from view

whom are known to be sleeping rough. Mr Parry said there was "massive demand" for help, ranging from those who slept rough, to people being released from prison with nowhere to go, to those facing eviction.

He said: "Since our service went Kent-wide in January, this year, the level of support for the county, including Shepway, has greatly increased. But it has also served to further show the great need of homeless and vulnerable people across Kent."

To find out more about the work of the charity and how you can help, go to www.porchlight.org.uk.

Warning after triple attack on women

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three women were assaulted by an unknown man.

The first two women were physically assaulted in Grand Parade and the third sexually assaulted in The Parade. Officers believe the three attacks are linked.

Police have carried out house-to-house inquiries in the area and a mobile station has been sited opposite the Spar shop in Grand Parade where people can speak with officers about their concerns or receive advice on how to stay safe.

Road checks were also carried out between 7pm and midnight on Saturday to speak to drivers who may have been in the area at the time of the assaults, with a number of leads resulting from these checks being followed up by the investigation team.

Anyone with information about these incidents should call the investigation team at Folkestone police station on 01303 289600 or alternatively Kent Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555111.

Policeman's lot a long and happy one for Cyril

A RETIRED Shepway police officer who has just celebrated his 100th birthday was presented with a certificate thanking him for his long service.

Cyril Foreman was born on November 10, 1908, in Maidstone and celebrated his centenary at a party in New Romney, where temporary Chief Superintendent Debbie Doe presented him with the certificate on behalf of Kent Chief Constable Mike Fuller.

Mr Foreman became PC 252 on February 1, 1929, starting his career at Northfleet before pounding beats including Faversham, Brookland, New Romney and Lydd.

In 1955 he was seconded to the British Police Unit in Cyprus and returned to Kent in 1957 when he was made sergeant.

He retired from the Kent Constabulary on May 25, 1960, after 31 years and 116 days, and his character was shown as 'exemplary'.

Mr Foreman received a commendation in January 1948 for an arrest relating to the theft of metal in Dymchurch.

He was presented with a Long Service and Good Conduct Medal on October 31, 1951.

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Gurkha regiment mourns tragic loss of 'rising star'

Shorncliffe-based father-of-two dies in Afghanistan bomb attack

TRIBUTES have flooded in for the Gurkha soldier killed in Afghanistan at the weekend.

Colour Sergeant Krishnabhadur Dura, 36, was serving with the 2nd Battalion the Royal Gurkha Rifles, based at Shorncliffe barracks, Folkestone.

He died when he and four others came under a bomb attack in their 24-tonne Warrior armoured personnel-carrier in the Musa Qala district of Helmand province.

C/Sgt Dura originally came from the Lamjung district of western Nepal and was enlisted into the British Army in 1992.

He completed his training in Hong Kong and was subsequently posted to A Company, the 7th Duke of Edinburgh's Own Gurkha Rifles, based at Church Crookham, Hampshire.

After attending the All Arms Parachute selection course he was promoted quickly through the ranks, serving in the Gurkha Reinforcement Company with the 2nd Battalion the Parachute Regiment with distinction before returning to the 2nd Battalion the Royal Gurkha Rifles in 1997.

Friends and fellow servicemen have described C/Sgt Dura as one of the Army's best snipers and a man who was "highly respected by all".

He leaves a wife and two daughters. Maj Shivakumar Limbu, of the Royal Gurkha Rifles, said: "C/Sgt Dura's courage, dedication and determination were inspirat-

■ BY STEVE KNIGHT

ional for others who would push themselves beyond their limits for him.

"He always placed his heart and soul into all that he did for his team and regiment, he always had a smile on his face and was a really pleasant personality to work with.

"I will really miss him."

C/Sgt Dura's friend Sgt Shreeman Limbu said: "As a commander, neighbour and close family friend, he always had the time of day for people and never turned anyone away.

"Joined with his kindness, he was a warrior, a master sniper and a rising star in the battalion."

Speaking to his deceased friend, Sgt Nawalkiran Yakha said: "I am really in shock to hear you are no longer with us.

"You were the best mate I have had in my life and I am going to miss you."

Defence minister John Hutton said: "It is clear C/Sgt Dura served with professionalism and courage and was wholly committed to his mission."

"My thoughts are with his family, friends and fellow Gurkhas at this sad time."

C/Sgt Dura is the second Nepalese Gurkha to have died within two weeks in Afghanistan.

Rifleman Yubraj Rai, 28, also with the Royal Gurkha Rifles, died from enemy combat fire at the beginning of this month.



FALLEN WARRIOR: Colour Sergeant Krishnabhadur Dura of the Royal Gurkha Rifles was killed at the weekend

Pact's priority is the community

CHERITON is hosting its fifth Partners and Communities Together (Pact) meeting this week.

Community support officers Mark Ball and Keith Sansum will be attending, along with county and borough council officials.

One of the priorities identified at the last meeting was replacement of the litter bins removed during roadworks in Cheriton Road and Cheriton High Street earlier in the year.

Others were to repair the bench outside the BT exchange in Cheriton Road and to deliver flyers with contact details of PCSOs. The meeting is on Friday at St George's Church, in Audley Road, from 7pm.

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Generous guests and firm friends give lift to trust

A CHARITY for the disabled has raised more than £12,500 from a dinner as part of a year-long series of events.

The Martha Trust, based in Deal, teamed up with Folkestone-based business Basepoint to match the proceeds on the night, held last month and hosted by Kent comedian and panto favourite Dave Lee.

Basepoint, which runs the Folkestone Enterprise Centre, has chosen the Martha Trust as its charity for the year.

The centre's manager, Lorraine Grover, said the company wanted to work with a charity that makes a real difference to the lives of those it cares for.

She said: "I visited Martha Trust homes in Deal and was moved by the loving care provided, and all the therapies and opportunities offered to residents."

Emily Shepherd, director of operations for the Martha Trust, said the 125 guests enjoyed the evening.

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"We were delighted when Basepoint offered to match the proceeds from the event and this made people even more generous," she said. "The money will go towards funding therapies and specialist equipment for the young people who live at our home near Deal."

Other events planned include a sponsored firewalk at the Folkestone Enterprise Centre, Shearway Business Park, on Wednesday November 26, and a celebrity golf day on October 24 next year, together with a Banger Rally over the May 2009 bank holiday weekend.

The Martha Trust, which owns two homes in east Kent, plans to extend its Frances House site in Deal to allow three more young people to receive specialist care.

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Everyone to have their say on parish

VOTERS in New Romney and Lydd will be given a chance to have their say about the creation of a separate parish for Greatstone.

Shepway council is carrying out a community governance review and will be looking at ways of ensuring every elector has a chance to make their views known.

The council sent questionnaires to every home likely to be affected by the creation of a new parish council in September but has decided instead to look at giving all electors a say. A report will be prepared for a meeting of the personnel and general purposes committee outlining options for the new consultation.

Councils like Shepway now have the responsibility to carry out reviews of parish councils.

A final decision on whether or not a new parish council is created for Greatstone will be made by a full Shepway council meeting.

Shop 'til you drop with a night of fun

LATE-NIGHT shopping is returning to Hythe this Christmas.

After several years of trying a Sunday Funday to tempt festive shoppers, the High Street will be the place to be for entertainment and shopping on Thursday, December 14, from 6pm-9pm.

Organised by Hythe Chamber of Commerce and Tourism, the evening's programme will include music by the Salvation Army and schools, performances by a swing singer, competitions and special offers.

A fancy-dress competition is taking place for children up to and including year six, with a family ticket for the Romney, Hythe and Dymchurch Railway as first prize. Judging will take place outside the town hall at 7pm.

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ADELE AND BOB ARE SPECIAL GUESTS



Foster carers in south Kent have been recognised for their hard work and commitment at an awards ceremony.

Social workers, teachers, health professionals and children in foster care nominated more than 100 carers from across the county and 24 quality service awards were given out.

Adele and Bob Guest, from Deal, (pictured) won a bronze award for their work, while Shonna Muir and John Smythe, from Dover, collected the new carers' honour.

Cllr Leyland Ridings, KCC's cabinet member for children, families and education, said: "I was delighted that about 250 foster carers attended the awards ceremony."

"The nominations were truly inspiring and portray the sheer dedication of all those involved. I would like to congratulate the winners and thank all our carers for the brilliant job they do."

Bill Anderson, KCC's director of children's social services, said: "I was very moved by these awards. It was a pleasure to meet the carers and hear the nominations. I found it really humbling. Our foster carers are really appreciated."

Shared landlord scheme is given initial go-ahead

PLANS are under way to merge Shepway's housing service with those of five other councils to create a 21,000-strong property portfolio.

Councillors agreed to the decision in principle last week after discussions with Dover, Thanet, Canterbury and Ashford councils.

They approved the setting-up of the East Kent Shared Landlord Service and company, potentially leading to savings of up to £700,000 between them.

Under the proposals a management board will be formed, with each council keeping the ownership of its housing stock.

Council tenants are also to remain with their current authority, with no immediate changes taking place.

Cllr Keren Belcourt, Shepway council's cabinet member for housing, said the interests of tenants were at the forefront of the plans:

"There are some services, like housing, where we are all doing similar things and it makes good sense to look at a shared approach

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through an East Kent Landlord Service. It will avoid duplication, pool expertise, increase efficiency and bring better value for money.

"Most importantly, the savings made will enable us to reinvest into our own housing budget to improve the service we provide to Shepway tenants and leaseholders."

Once all the councils involved have agreed the proposal in principle, they will start detailed consultation with their tenants.

Consultation

A final decision will not be made until after the consultation ends next summer, with the new arrangements likely to come into effect in April 2010.

Cllr Belcourt said: "We will be ensuring our tenants and leaseholders are kept up to date with all the information they need and that they have independent advice during the consultation period. Tenants will also have a place

on the board of the newly-created company."

Betty Garfield, chairman of the Coast and Countryside Residents' Board, said: "We are happy with what we've heard about the principle of the shared landlord services for East Kent."

"It's early days, but we think it could be the best way forward for us. Shepway has already said it will involve us in the process as it takes shape and make sure we have the information that we need to represent the best interests of our residents."

"We are also meeting tenant representatives from the other councils to see how we can all work together."

The proposals will also be considered by the East Kent Joint Arrangements Committee and the East Kent Joint Scrutiny Committee.

The landlord service is just one of the services that could be shared between Shepway, Dover, Thanet and Canterbury councils to improve efficiency and reduce costs.

Ashford council is only involved with the housing merger.



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Wayne soaring to final of business competition

A FOLKESTONE businessman has reached the final of a prestigious competition to find the country's best new entrepreneur.



ENTREPRENEUR: Wayne Hodgson is thrilled to be through to the final

ten finalists competing for the top prize of British Chamber of Commerce Entrepreneur of the Year being held in London next week.

He has already beaten off competition from dozens of others and now hopes all his hard work since starting up in November 2004 will be enough to impress the judging panel and earn him the national title.

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Wayne told Yourshepway: "I was thrilled to hear I had won the regional award for the Entrepreneur of the Year.

"Having been fortunate enough to win awards for the business since its inception four years ago it was fantastic to receive such a personal accolade.

"However I believe my success has been down to the hard work, determination and desire to succeed from all the team at Red Eagle."

He said he was looking forward to the result of the national finals next week when all the category winners are to be announced, along with the overall winner.

Yetunde Ige, head of marketing for the competition's sponsor Staples said: "The standard of entries has been outstanding, confirming our view the UK has a wealth of talented, dynamic individuals who are making a critical contribution to the country's economy.

"Wayne, like all our finalists, has a unique, entrepreneurial spirit. He should feel proud to be a national finalist and I'm sure whatever the result he will continue to enjoy success."

Red Eagle Ltd specialises in providing temporary labour for industrial and transport businesses for local firms including Spicers in Hythe and also international companies such as DHL.

The results will be announced at a gala dinner at the Natural History Museum in London on Thursday, November 27.

Tunnel train traffic doubles

EUROSTAR passenger numbers from around the country have doubled in the first year since London St Pancras train station opened.

The cross-Channel service said there had been a 100 per cent increase in people travelling from the East Midlands, Yorkshire and the North East, with Manchester and the West Midlands seeing a 50 per cent hike in numbers.

Travellers from Scotland are also up by more than a third.

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PANTO STARS LIGHT UP TOWN

Dick Whittington will be making an appearance in Folkestone this week as the cast of this year's pantomime switch on the Christmas lights.

The Community Theatre Project's seasonal show will be touring the area, starting at Debenhams in the High Street on Saturday to welcome Santa with a selection of songs and a bit of slapstick fun with Mr Bump.

Then, on Saturday, November 29, panto favourites Bob Osborne, Natalie Hubbard and Kate Wright will be part of the Christmas parade from the Leas Cliff Hall at 11am. Following a short walk down Sandgate Road, Mr Bump will join the cast on the precinct stage for more fun.

Louise Orfila and the public's choice of the Child of Courage will switch on the lights at 5.30pm. Dick Whittington plays at the Leas Cliff Hall from December 18 to January 10 and tickets start from £10. For more details call the box office on 0844 847 1776 or go to www.leascliffhall.org.uk.

Award-winner spices up comedy

A FOLKESTONE actor, writer and comedian has won international recognition at a glamorous awards ceremony in New York.

Michael Spicer, 31, won the prize for emerging comedic talent at the Hamptons International Film Festival last month, for his short film How I Learned To Love Richard Gere.

The film is described as "a brilliantly executed and consistently hilarious story about taste, artistic jealousy and the acting talents of a famous Hollywood star".

The award was presented by Caroline Hirsch, founder and owner of the famed Caroline's on Broadway comedy nightclub and is the first in a new category.

Originally from East London, Michael has performed at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival, where he was described in the Scotsman review as having "a great gift for deadpan comedy" and has also written for and performed in Channel 4's radio comedy show Comedy Spinner.

Other projects include co-starring in a broadcast pilot sketch show called Lifeskills for digital channel E4 and being shortlisted for the BBC's nationwide search for comedy talent, Witty and Twisted.

He has also just finished filming a disturbing portrayal of serial killer Fred West in the ITV programme, Martina Cole's Ladykillers.

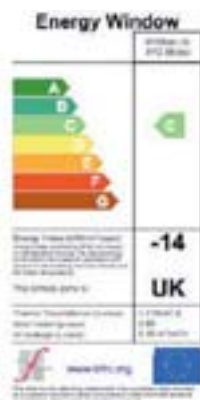


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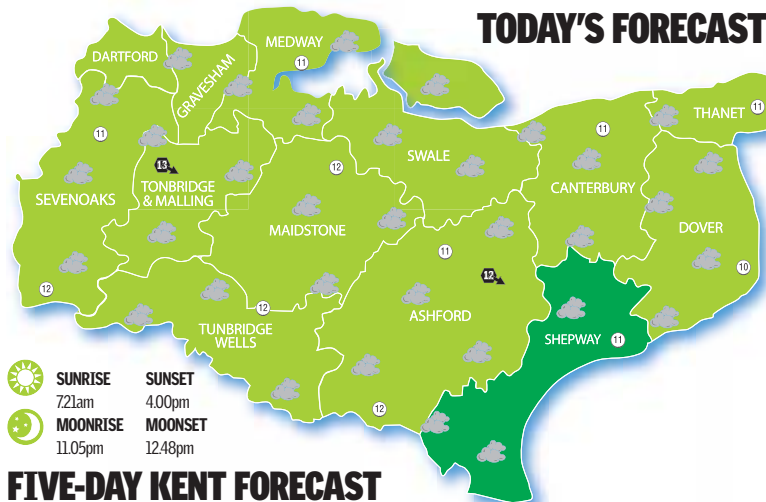
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Canterbury	10°C	11°C	12°C	8°C	5°C	Maidstone	11°C	12°C	13°C	9°C	6°C
Chatham	11°C	12°C	13°C	10°C	7°C	Ramsgate	10°C	11°C	12°C	8°C	5°C
Dartford	12°C	12°C	13°C	10°C	6°C	Rochester	11°C	12°C	13°C	10°C	7°C
Dover	10°C	10°C	11°C	8°C	6°C	Sevenoaks	10°C	10°C	11°C	7°C	5°C
Faversham	11°C	12°C	13°C	10°C	7°C	Sittingbourne	11°C	12°C	13°C	10°C	7°C
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Chatham	Saturday	6:24pm	5.4m
	Sunday	6:45am	5.2m
Dover	Saturday	4:57pm	5.6m
	Sunday	6:20pm	5.6m
Dungeness	Saturday	4:24pm	6.3m
	Sunday	5:45pm	6.1m
Ramsgate	Saturday	5:27pm	4.2m
	Sunday	6:50pm	4.2m
Sheerness	Saturday	6:12pm	5.2m
	Sunday	6:33am	5.0m
Whitstable	Saturday	6:19pm	4.7m
	Sunday	6:31am	4.7m



AROUND THE WORLD YESTERDAY

Amsterdam	10°C	Madrid	16°C
Athens	19°C	New York	10°C
Barcelona	14°C	Paris	10°C
Beijing	5°C	Rome	16°C
Bombay	33°C	Sydney	19°C
Cape Town	20°C	Tenerife	23°C
Cardiff	10°C	Tokyo	18°C
Gibraltar	18°C	Vancouver	12°C
Hong Kong	26°C	Warsaw	4°C
Las Palmas	23°C	Wellington	17°C

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Cabbies' chance to boost skills on free NVQ course

TAXI-DRIVERS in Shepway are the first in the county to be offered the chance to gain an NVQ qualification.

Shepway council is supporting the new initiative through the Taxi Forum Partnership and encouraging local taxi-drivers to take up the offer to gain a Level 2 NVQ in Road Passenger Vehicle Driving.

The NVQ is part of a Government initiative and will be run by Croydon Skills and Enterprise College on behalf of Train to Gain.

Cllr William Richardson, cabinet member for technical services and environmental health, said the free 12-week course was work-based and would not involve too much of the drivers' valuable free time.

He said: "The course builds on the competences many of drivers already have and use every day. It covers areas such as passenger health and safety, dealing with difficult customers, customer service, driver licensing, vehicle licensing and current traffic legislation."

Survey to highlight what people think of district

THE RESULTS of a survey sent to 5,000 of the district's residents will show what people think about public services and how well Shepway council compares with others across the country.

It asks people to think about what it's like to live in Shepway and covers subjects like community safety, services and how satisfied people are with the way the council runs things.

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It is hoped that this temporary extension will give patients improved access when attending the Walk-in Centre. After the 9 week trial period the number of people using the extended services will be assessed to see if this service should be available for longer hours in the long term.

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QUESTION & ANSWER

BRIAN POWELL



Q Who or what brought you to east Kent?

A I started my printing business in south-east London just after leaving the London College of Printing, and then moved it to Dover in 1967.

Initially it was based in St Bartholomew Church Hall in Curzon Road, Dover. Then, with the business rapidly expanding, I bought additional premises in Widred Road, Dover.

Living in St Margaret's Bay, I found the area very pleasant to live and work in and shortly afterwards my parents also moved out of London to St Margaret's Bay.

With the printing business growing, my father, who also had a strong printing pedigree, joined me in the business and it became known as J and B Powell Printers Ltd.

My mother also helped out carrying out a variety of tasks. We traded happily as a Dover-based business, but then I opened offices in Norfolk and Essex. The company then bought other businesses, including under licence the Noel Tatt Charity Appeals Christmas card business and the Waterlow personalised cards business, which are still trading successfully.

Thus, 41 years on, among other things the business has evolved into publishing charity Christmas cards and supplies many of the UK's leading charities.

Q How did you become involved in the Freemasons?

A I joined the Freemasons initially while still spending a lot of time in south-east

London and found the organisation to be intriguing and met many like-minded people. When I moved to St. Margaret's Bay, I didn't know anybody locally, so I joined a local lodge in Dover, the Military Jubilee Lodge, and soon found I had a wide circle of good friends.

Q What is your position in the Masons and what does it involve?

A I am an Assistant Provincial Grand Master, which basically means I am part of the team who organise Freemasonry in east Kent. There are a lot of myths about Freemasonry, and many people think that Freemasons only help each other. Nothing could be further from the truth. In fact, Freemasons quietly raise millions of pounds to help others through charities locally, nationally and internationally. In the last few years, just to give you one example, the Freemasons' Grand Charity has donated more than £7 million to the hospice movement in the UK and is one of its largest supporters.

Q What is your favourite thing about being part of the Freemasons?

A The best part, as with lots of other societies, is the camaraderie between its members. We learn through our involvement how to be good-living human beings and to treat others as we would wish to be treated ourselves. It is not a religious organisation and is open to all faiths, Christians, Muslims, Jews, or any others who wish to join, so long as the candidate has a belief in a supreme being.

Q Where do you think it got its secret society reputation from?

A It is not a secret society – in fact there are hundreds of books in which anybody can read about Freemasonry and its beliefs. Freemasonry has been active for centuries and boasts many famous men among its members, such as Sir Winston Churchill and many others.

Q What reasons would you give to somebody thinking of joining?

A For any organisation to survive, it needs to encourage young new members. There are many good young men who become Freemasons. After joining, they meet like-minded men of good character and of all ages. They make many new friends and learn useful social skills such as public speaking.

Q What do you do in your spare time?

A I enjoy walking and my son David I have completed the Pennine Way, Hadrian's Wall, the Ring of Kerry and many other organised walks, mostly to fund-raise for the Teenage Cancer Trust and other charities.

I like sailing and have a traditional Norfolk Broads yacht which I sail as often as possible as the Broads are beautiful and very relaxing to visit.

I also enjoy flying light aircraft and have had a private pilot's licence for 30 years. My wife also flies and now my son David is learning and hopes to gain his private pilot's licence within the coming year.

Brian Powell – owner of Powell Publishing and an assistant Provincial Grand Master of the Freemasons in east Kent – talks to **Marijke Cox** about what it means to be a Freemason and the myths surrounding the society

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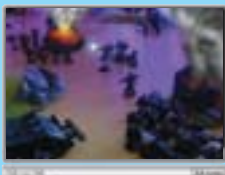

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Don't be mourning on Christmas morning

Police launch drink-driving campaign

A HEART-TUGGING campaign has been launched by road safety experts in a bid to crack down on deaths caused by drinking and driving.

And in a special roadshow which this week got under way touring the county, the message is being taken into the major shopping centres.

The campaign is centred on a Christmas tree display and is hoped to hit home as companies start staging festive parties and lunches in the run-up to the big day.

The tree bears a banner with the slogan "Christmas Mourning? Drinking and Driving Wrecks Lives" to remind motorists that the morning of the big day could take on a very different meaning.

Imagery

The display also includes a lone unwrapped present among wrapping paper to represent those killed by drink-driving who will not be opening their gifts this year.

The campaign started in Maidstone town centre on Monday and arrived in Tunbridge Wells the following day.

It is due in Westwood Cross, Thanet, tomorrow (Wednesday) and Canterbury on Monday next week.

■ BY NICK AMES

Steve Horton, road safety team leader for Kent Highway Services, said: "Approximately 250 people in Kent were killed or seriously injured by drinking and driving in the last year."

"Drinking and driving wrecked their lives and the lives of those around them. We hope that by taking a Christmas tree out and about a little bit early, we'll get people's attention and get the message across before the festive season really begins."

The campaign will run until mid-January to capture New Year festivities, too, and includes bus-back advertising, billboards, posters, leaflets and a TV advert.

As part of the campaign, police will be carrying out roadside tests to check the co-ordination and spatial awareness of any drivers who they suspect have been drink-driving.

Motorists are also being asked to remember that they could still be over the legal limit the morning after drinking and if police are called to attend a crash, everyone involved will be automatically breathalysed.



MESSAGE: The Christmas tree will be spreading the word of not drinking and driving over the festive period



BUSY: There has been no change in traffic volume

Business as usual for toll crossing

HOPES of cutting pollution levels in and around Dartford by introducing a 50 per cent increase on the crossing toll have yet to materialise.

The change in charges was introduced on Saturday night – dropping the charge altogether between the hours of 10pm and 6am, but increasing it during the day.

Cars must now pay £1.50 – up from £1 – with lorry charges increased, depending on size, to £2 or £3.70.

Kent Green Party officials had said they hoped the increase would lead to a reduction in traffic, as seen when the congestion charge was introduced in central London.

There were also concerns of traffic chaos, with fears of extra congestion as drivers tried to get through the tunnel or over the bridge before the free period ended.

But on Monday – the first business day under the new charge system – officials reported it was very much business, and volume, as usual.

A Highways Agency spokesman said: "There were no real problems brought about by the new charges."

"However, on Monday morning there was an accident on the bridge which led to tail-backs. This was nothing to do with the charges, which we thought we made people fully aware of by the amount of publicity we gave."

There was no reported increase or decrease in traffic levels, either over the weekend or in the morning rush-hour on Monday.

The AA also said it had received no concerns from drivers – despite last week saying the move could lead to "dangerous driving patterns" as motorists looked to avoid peak-time crossing.

"We haven't had any complaints," said a spokesman.

Doctors to close early for training afternoon

GP surgeries across much of the east of the county will close early on Wednesday next week for staff training.

Surgeries in Swale, Ashford, Canterbury, Dover, Deal, Shepway and Thanet will be closed from 1pm-6.30pm on November 26.

Eastern and Coastal Kent Primary Care Trust (PCT) has organised a primary care

educational afternoon to provide an opportunity for protected learning time for staff in GP surgeries.

These afternoons provide the opportunity for GPs to attend lectures and discuss and debate current issues around NHS services. Practice staff also have the chance to use this time for training within the practice or to attend one of

the training sessions organised by the PCT.

Local out-of-hours services will provide cover for the surgeries, so anyone who needs to see a doctor urgently will still be able to do so.

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We're making a clean break with the past

PUPILS have been learning about the importance of hand-washing to stop the spread of infection.

KOS Media's Clean, Safe and Healthy campaign, which has been raising awareness about superbugs, is now focusing its message about hand hygiene on the county's young people.

Launched in the wake of the Healthcare Commission's damning report into two outbreaks of Clostridium difficile in west Kent hospitals, the award-winning publisher has been working with the NHS to highlight how everyone has a role to play in the battle against killer bugs.

Pupils at Selsted Primary School, near Dover, have already been learning about how proper hand-washing can protect people from infectious diseases.

Headteacher Kevin Bailey said: "It is incredibly important for them to realise that without washing hands they are spreading germs, risking their own health and also their friends and those around them."

He said the 75 youngsters at the school, aged between five and 11, had been learning about basic hygiene as part of the Government's healthy schools initiative.

The school's small size and sense of community has helped spread the healthy lifestyle message and soon the children will be growing their own food in the grounds, he said.

"It is about health and hygiene, physical fitness and keeping your hands clean after the toilet, before and after eating and after playtime," Mr Bailey added.

Lucas Sotirion, Elizabeth Fraser, Jake Saxby



and Jessica Saxby, all aged ten, interviewed one of the school's cleaners about her job. All of them said they were shocked to find that the boys' toilets were cleaner than the girls. Lucas said: "I appreciate more what my mum and the cleaners do because it is quite a hard job."

Elizabeth told KOS Media how the dirtiest parts of the school included chairs and tables. She added: "Keep where you live clean and it will prevent germs spreading to you and harming others."

Jessica said the girls' toilet needed to be looked after more. Her twin, Jake, added: "The computer room is very important place to clean, especially the keyboards because lots of hands touch them. We have learnt to wash our hands with soap and water so when we eat germs won't go into our mouths."

Isabel Woodroffe, assistant director of communications at NHS Eastern and Coastal Kent and a governor at the school, said it was never too early to learn the importance of good basic hygiene. "It is all part of growing up to be a healthy person," she said.

"Especially because the schools are doing



LATHER GOOD: Pupils at Thames View junior school in Twydale have championed KOS Media's Clean Safe Healthy campaign by putting our eye-catching posters above wash basins at the Medway school

cookery classes now, they have to understand that they need to have clean hands. If it is ingrained at this age, it will stay with them for life."

When KOS Media visited the school last week, the primary care trust had brought along a UV light box so the children could see the dirt on their hands gleaming in the dark and watch how it disappeared after thorough hand-washing.

"We have done a lot of discussion work and activities such as making posters," Mr Bailey said.

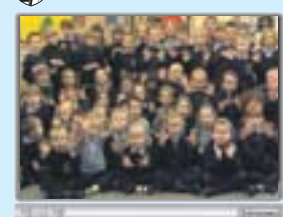
Teacher Carol Thurman, who led the healthy schools status project, said the hand-hygiene message was drummed into the children when they did cookery lessons.

Examples of slogans from the brightly coloured posters made by the children include 'when we cook we wash our hands' and 'we always wash our hands'.

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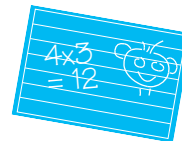
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THE EYES HAVE IT: X Factor singer Ashley McKenzie gets his point across to youngsters at Pent Valley in Folkestone

Why X Factor singer Ashley lets respect call the tune

■ BY JAMES ALEXANDRE

X FACTOR mania took hold of pupils at Pent Valley Technology College in Folkestone when they were visited by a contestant from the TV talent show.

Ashley McKenzie, who reached the latter stages of the 2006 series of the ITV Saturday night show, gave a performance of his latest songs to students from years seven to ten in a packed assembly hall on Monday last week.

The 22-year-old, who recently lost a friend to knife crime, performed his set against a backdrop of other tragic victims to highlight the issue while performing his latest song, Freedom Fighters.

Accompanied on stage by a guitarist, he also performed a cover from his X Factor days and other songs from his upcoming album, Set Me Free.

Afterwards he posed for pictures with pupils and spoke to the school's in-house radio station as part of year ten's community

project media group. His message was that songs could provide hope and comfort and that we all compare our lives to songs, even without realising it, and that everyone deserves to be respected.

Freedom Fighters is the first of many messages he wants to spread in support of charitable causes through his lyrics.

Ashley was voted off the X Factor in week four of the finals but during his run was able to perform songs by the likes of the Commodores, Etta James, Van Morrison and Abba in the series eventually won by Leona Lewis.

Last week, 21-year-old Laura White, who was tipped to win this year's series, was controversially voted off, prompting more than 12,000 complaints from angry viewers demanding she be reinstated.

She is due to sing at Dymchurch's New Beach Holiday Park this weekend as part of a showcase for British television's best amateur acts.

BREAK TIME

Circus putting the fun into healthy eating and fitness

CHILDREN at 15 primary schools across Shepway will be getting a taste for healthy living when they take part in a Fun Fit Food project.

The Circus Takeaway Theatre Group will be putting on a performance for year six pupils about healthy eating, keeping fit and highlighting the choices they will face when they move on to secondary education.

Year four pupils will be creating pizza and pasta dishes, making their own 'hidden vegetable' tomato sauce from a recipe supplied by Folkestone's La Tavernetta restaurant and using free vegetables from Juicy Fruits of Cheriton.

The project was started at St Eanswythe's primary school in Church Street, Folkestone, on Monday and will visit one

school every day for three weeks, ending at Brenzett Primary School on Friday, December 5.

The event is being organised by Shepway council and funded by the Eastern and Coastal Kent Primary Care Trust.

Cllr William Richardson, cabinet member for technical services and environmental health, said the emphasis would be on fun.

"We want to show that eating healthy food and keeping fit needn't be boring," he said.

"It's especially important for pupils who are moving on to their secondary schools next year to be able to make a healthy choice about the foods on offer."

Parents will be invited to tuck into healthy meals made by the pupils.

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There's a princely sum to be paid for double-crossing Di

IF ever the old phrase of 'hell hath no fury like a woman scorned' is ever doubted, then look no further than the sorry sight of Prince Charles.

Here is a man – the future King no less – who 30 years ago was on track to a life most of us would describe as 'blummin' jammy'.

Consider the facts. Born with not so much a silver spoon in his mouth, but a solid gold ladle encrusted with diamonds, money worries were never going to be an issue.

In fact, money was probably something he never even had to worry about weighing down his wallet. After all, a future King has people to do that for him, don't they? Or subjects simply to give him as much free stuff as he could hint he liked.

Then, despite a fine set of ears which rival the FA Cup, he finds his youth pursued by glamorous women. So what attracted you to the future King of England, Charles Windsor, we would ask ourselves rather pathetically.

And then there was that small issue of rising

to be the head of state and, quite literally, King of all he surveyed. He knew it was merely a matter of time before England football fans were bellowing out how God should save him. So far, so good.

But the best was yet to come. Because after sowing his regal oats among the gorgeous and glamorous he made his move on a shy nursery teacher called Diana Spencer. The rest, as they say, is history.

Little did he know that as he strolled up the aisle of St Paul's Cathedral in that understated little Royal Wedding, he was kissing goodbye to a reputation of being envied.

Because, remarkably, even from beyond the grave, Diana Spencer – or the Princess of Wales as she was to become – managed to prove that a woman scorned puts Hell firmly in the shade. In fact, it makes it rather chilly.

On Friday he passed the landmark of his 60th birthday. And still, 12 years on from divorcing her, and 11 since she died, his life is blighted by the way he treated her.

Quite right too, some would say. He cheated on her and acted like, well, a bit of a cad. Give the bloke a chance say others; and stop believ-

ing every word of a media who were obsessed with Diana and who will now never smear her name or memory, churn out. Who cares, probably echoes the majority.

Because, in truth, at 60 he cuts a rather pathetic figure. He's married to a woman who not even the most generous would describe as 'pretty' and whose personality has been hidden deeper than a deep thing for fear the general public might not take to her the way they did their beloved Diana.

But crucially, bless her finely-weaved socks, would his dear old mater shuffle off this mortal coil to give him a decent crack at being King? Would she heck.

So Charlie boy has nothing more to do than annoy local planners and architects by banging on about design issues, and promote a fine line in chutneys and jams grown and made on his estate. And all because he double-crossed the Queen of Fleet Street's Hearts.

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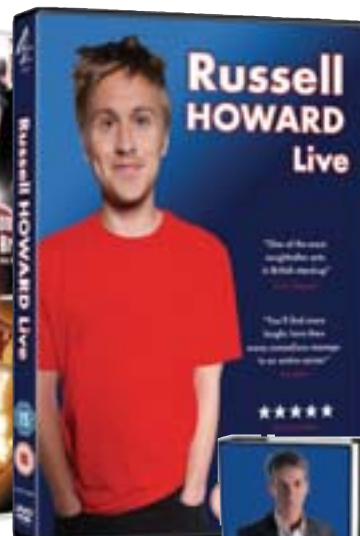
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TALK TIME

GRACE KINGSLENE

The actress who is appearing in the Vagina Monologues at the Leas Cliff Hall next week spoke to us about belly-dancing, jewellery and Ricky Gervais



How did you become involved in acting?

At school. I was an average student, but drama really caught my attention and I got involved with as many school plays as I could, although I didn't do many at secondary school as I was too busy trying to pass my exams.

What do you think is the most enjoyable or interesting aspect of the profession?

The people you get to meet and the characters you get to play. It's an unpredictable business and that can be hard to deal with at times, but I wouldn't be doing anything else.

I hope the most exciting and memorable experiences are yet to come for me, but getting to work on Extras with Ricky Gervais and Ashley Jensen was great.

The episode was filmed at Pinewood Studios and I'm a total film buff, so arriving there and driving past the 007 soundstage was really cool.

It was just nice to have been part of it.

What are your future career goals?

For me it's not about having the biggest role, it's about having an interesting one and hopefully I'll get to do quite a few of those in the future.

I'd also love to work in London's West End.

What do you like to do in your spare time?

Well, on my days off during The Vagina Monologues tour, I've been doing a lot of sleeping.

I also write, make jewellery and enjoy belly-dancing. I just try to stay creative.

YOUR LETTERS

BNP out of touch with world views

The last few weeks must have been rather difficult for Harry Williams, the local parliamentary hopeful of the despicable British National Party, and his ilk.

Recently, many of his party's members sent in abusive and racist letters to a Thanet newspaper, thus further proving – if any proof was needed, given regular media exposes – their true policies and views.

Then it must surely have greatly displeased them when two black people – or mixed-race, as some have mentioned – by their courage and determination achieved both personal and societal successes.

Lewis Hamilton won the world motor racing championship and Senator Barack Obama became the first African-American President-elect of the US.

Locally we can add the news of Folkestone's own black 'hero', Walter Tull. His pioneering and valiant life has now been highlighted on television due to the 90th anniversary of the end of the First World War.

In my, and I'm sure most people's view, if Mr Williams had one iota of the guts of any of the above, the next missive from him to the press would contain his resignation from the BNP, an apology for ever being a member, and adding a further expose of what it really stands for.

Sadly, I doubt he can do it and suppose it's more likely to be a bland waffle about congratulating the above even though no one's likely to believe such obviously disingenuous electoral gain spin anyway.

Ray Duff
Folkestone



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Programme fails to answer questions

What a farcical programme last

week's Question Time from Dover was.

There was not one question of value to our area. It's no good spinning them if the questions are never asked.

Questions of merit would have included the hospital, the docks, tourism, development and jobs, alternative housing formulas... why, even wastage or our traffic problems.

Even the schools building programme spin from Gordon Brown is a joke, when so many schools have been closed.

Then again one must look at the wastage by charities and the Olympic Delivery Authority, who give away billions yet benefit so few.

But then note the political 'Blame the parents mentality'. Hey, who wrote the stupid laws anyway?

It's my birthplace and yet more foreign today than ever when I was overseas.

So much so that one must question the British factor and history of OUR land.

We have/had a Bill of Rights, yet governments ignore it until it suits them. What do Brits have to do to get our rights back?

Many a land and people fight for such, yet Brits have become followers not leaders, as in 1982.

Many have lost their status, overridden by ignorance and dictation, yet we are free.

But are we really free today when Government and do-gooders have stigmatised the very meaning of this word?

Derek Packham
Deal

Didn't we do well in getting hospital

Question Time came from Dover last week, but where were the moaners who prattle on and on and on about our new hospital?

It appears that this whingeing band of losers couldn't be bothered to turn up for the show or, if they did, couldn't summon the requisite presence of mind to ask a question.



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Oh well, perhaps they can just go back to their self-pitying caves and allow the rest of us to look forward to our new hospital in the centre of Dover. For such a small town, I think we've done rather well.

A Johnson
Dover

Give charities your stamp of approval

I was wondering if any of readers feel like me.

I love Christmas but always feel that the purchase and cost of postage for Christmas cards is getting too expensive, especially as when the season is finished they all get put in the recycling bins in the large stores such as Tesco, for example.

I have estimated I spend about £150-£200 every year just to wish people – some of whom I see almost every week – 'a happy Christmas'.

So what about we all give that money direct to a charity of our choice? This thought came to me after watching a programme about the plight of horses in the credit crunch.

I shall be sending emails with my greetings this year.

A Marjerson
by email

Government policies are a taxing problem

How unfair it is yet again for people in the South East to bear the brunt of yet more Government taxes, this time on cars.

It seems that if there is a way of raising cash Gordon Brown will stop at nothing to find it – and if it involves misery for us in the South East then that is all to the good.

Why can't this government see that increasing taxes on everything is a sure-fire way to make sure the economy does not have a chance to recover?

Mike Pitt
by email

Worst polluters are right to be hit hard

Why is raising taxes on gas-guzzling cars unfair?

These vehicles are the worst polluters on our roads, so it is quite right that their owners should pay more in tax to offset this.

If it encourages people to run smaller and more eco-friendly cars, then it is a very good move indeed.

Rachel Evans
by email

Home work bytes off more than I can chew

Your business pages report how people working from home are becoming more common as they take on second jobs to beat the credit squeeze.

But surely there is only a small number of people who have the skills necessary to keep this going.

The company I work for is forever having computer problems, requiring an IT expert to come along and sort them out.

I haven't a clue when it comes to

modern technology – so I won't be joining the so-called 'eBaypreneurs'.

Simon Hamilton
by email

Rethinking of plans is plane and simple

The current recession is reducing flying, and the aviation industry, like others, is clearly in difficulties.

But the Government has not called a halt to airport expansion, despite the fact this conflicts directly with its own policies on climate change.

I have written to all of Kent's MPs urging them to support Early Day Motion 344 in Parliament, urging them to sign EDM 344(1) asking the Government to rethink its plans for a third runway at Heathrow airport.

This this has become urgent in the light of the need to reduce CO2 emissions, air and noise pollution. The EDM also asks the Government to examine the possibility of high-speed rail as an alternative to all domestic flights.

I am also asking them if they feel that these issues, together with the current downturn in the air passenger industry, mean that additional capacity at Rochester, Manston or Lydd – or an airport in the Thames estuary as proposed by Mayor of London Boris Johnson – are now also redundant.

Kent Green Party believes the county's airports should become leisure facilities to improve domestic tourism opportunities in Kent and Medway.

Dr Hazel Dawe
Kent Green Party

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A month later the company is now on tour and relationships between the cast have deteriorated, resulting in bedlam both in front of the scenery and backstage. The second act focuses on the chaotic antics going on backstage while the actors struggle to hold Nothing On together.

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ness. Just as he is about to end it all, Méphistophélès appears to offer him a deal.

Other operas due to be shown include Donizetti's Lucia Di Lammermoor, Gilbert's Dr Atomic and Strauss's Salome. The screenings also include a behind the scenes

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The exhibition opened yesterday and will be running in the Palm Court until December 15.

Artist's sales to help fill Tummies with laptops

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Easygoing female, 32, enjoys shopping, football, eating out, cosy night in, WLTm loving, caring white male 35-47 for long term loving relationship. Box 444214

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WHITE GUY REQUIRED

Pretty black female, 32, tall, loves watching football, shopping, travel, seeking tall, white, loving male, 34-47, for LTR. Chatroom. Box 437778

CUDDLY FEMALE

32, 5ft9, brown hair, curvy figure, enjoys having fun and a laugh, and WLTm nice, kind gent. Box 394042

THE TRUTH ABOUT RUTH

I'm Ruth, hard-working, kind, caring, 33, brown hair, brown eyes, nice smile, seeking down-to-earth and loving male to get to know and see what happens! Box 901072

FUN-LOVING FEMALE

Attractive, 31, 5'4", 12, dark hair with blonde highlights, tactile, WLTm intelligent, professional, attractive guy for a happy relationship. Turbridge Wells. Box 308734

MEND A BROKEN HEART

Single mum, 37, fun-loving, been hurt in past, looking for nice, genuine guy for hopeful happiness - no time wasters! Box 908053

SEIZE THE DAY

Loving female, 34, 5ft4, brown hair, green eyes, likes socialising, staying in, seeks genuine male with friendship and more. Box 428666

IN EACH OTHERS ARMS

Caring sensitive female, 38, looking for fun, friendly, outgoing male who likes astrology, walks, cinema, eating in/out and more. Box 444498

NO TIES

Lovely, bored, professional Turbridge Wells Asian lady, 40, WLTm slim, single, solvent, professional white male 40-50 for company, fun, love and laughter. Box 443573

COME ON OVER

Divorced female, 40, likes fishing, swimming, walking and eating out, WLTm young man, for friendship and more. Box 446097

THE HOME LIFE

Happy, caring female, homely, tactile and honest. I'm black African, 41, 5ft2, medium build, and would like LTR with the right person. Box 446024

YOU'LL SMILE IF YOU DIAL

Bubbly 40yr old female, enjoys beaches, pubs, clubs, WLTm a like-minded, caring male to share fun times with. Box 435102

LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS

Laid-back single mum, very bubbly, outgoing and intelligent, 43, enjoys social life, drinks, meals, cinema; looking to start afresh with someone new, easygoing and life-loving. Box 445102

HERE TO BE YOURS

Single mum, caring, honest, 43, fair hair, blue eyes, medium build, 5ft8, seeking reliable, friendly, honest gent for friendship, maybe more. Box 446307

THIS STATE OF INDEPENDENCE

Hard-working female, 41, 5'4", bubbly, independent woman, love to laugh, socialising with friends, looking for independent professional who values TLC. Box 441156

ATTRACTIVE

Professional female, 43, enjoys dancing, walking, reading and cooking, WLTm intelligent professional male, who can hold a good conversation, for a relationship. Box 444282

LOVELY JOSEPHINE

Passionate and fun-loving 43yr old female, enjoys clubbing, meals out and cooking, WLTm a male to share evenings out with. Box 445225

POLISH LADY SEEKING...

Attractive Polish lady, 40s, loves art, film, music, cooking and long walks, seeking a fun gent, 35+, for a fun relationship. Box 445878

MISS JULIE

Bubbly blonde, 44, stupid and like having a laugh, good company, friendship, would like to meet new friends for hopeful love. Box 886162

YOUNG-AT-HEART

Attractive female, 38, dark brown hair, blue eyes, curvy, likes days out, music, concerts, cinema, walking, cycling, seeks loving fun male for friendship/more. Box 901893

FUTURE FUN, PASSION AND ADVENTURE!

Separated brilliant brunette, 39, single mum, 5ft7, likes swimming and house music. WLTm a kind and considerate tall white male with dark shoulder length hair. Box 445684

ANIMAL LOVER?

Nurse, 37yrs, 2 kids, 5ft8, blonde hair, blue eyes, likes the gym, cooking, swimming, salsa dancing, looking for a kind, caring, loyal male Box 431557

DEAL OR NO DEAL? (IN DEAL)

Homey traditional lady, 43, divorced, brunette, green eyes, 5ft10, likes going out, pubs, clubs, cinema, shopping, walks, loves films and all sports except cricket. Box 430384

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GIVE ME A CALL
Homey traditional lady, 44, 5ft8, slim-medium build, non smoker, love life, animals, my dog, walks along the harbour, country pubs, WLTm similar gent for romance. Box 446277

COULD IT BE YOU?

Hi I'm 44, slim, 5ft8, a redhead, love nights out, socialising, looking for fun, friendly, outgoing male who likes astrology, walks, cinema, eating in/out and more. Box 889800

HERE WE ARE

Easygoing female, 45, self-employed hairdresser, likes theatre, restaurants, socialising, sofa cuddles, seeking loyal, loving, caring male for good fun and more. Box 444672

EVERLASTING LOVE

Beautiful black female, 46, WLTm a caring, gentle and loving gentleman, 45-60, 5ft10+, pref a bit sporty, for a everlasting relationship. Turbridge Wells Box 445407

HELP ME OPEN UP

Easygoing lady, 46, dark brown hair, blue eyes, medium build, likes life, socialising, the seaside, walks, drinks, WLTm male to share a bottle of wine with. Box 444585

SPONTANEOUS

Karen, 46, 5ft3, medium build, likes keeping fit, getting out and about, travelling and a nice bottle of wine, WLTm light-hearted male for a LTR. Box 445745

ETERNALLY YOURS

Easygoing woman, likes most things in life; country walks, films, cinema, cooking. I'm 46, 5ft2, medium build, WLTm genuine, happy guy, easygoing and fun. Box 445335

ARE YOU A BOND?

Kind, caring, attractive lady, young 35, 5'7", slim, brown hair/eyes, N/S, GSOH, enjoys walking, reading, travel, socialising; seeking tall, considerate, honest gent for hopeful LTR. Box 446079

LOVE ME, LOVE MY DOG

Useful, intelligent, caring female, 62, young looking/bright, like walks, music, cooking, seeking sensitive, caring, uncomplicated male, N/S, perhaps a dog owner, for friendship first Box 434345

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Curvy female, 32, seeks like-minded gentleman, WLTm trustworthy, 55-62, with GSOH. Box 445603

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DON'T PASS ME BY

Friendly, bubbly, fun-loving woman, 45, 5'4", GSOH, enjoys socialising, pubs, music, eating in/out, own home/car, smoker, looking for honest man 44-55, who enjoys life. Box 823441

MAKE ME LAUGH

Single 47yr old lovely female, 5ft5, slim, blonde hair, blue-green eyes, seeking male for potential LTR, must have GSOH! Box 865288

HAPPY GO LUCKY

Sincere, happy woman, with GSOH, I'm 5ft6, with short brown hair, brown eyes, I have lots of interests and WLTm similar guy. Box 895019

WE'LL SEE

Blonde hair/blue eyes, 5ft5, slim, looking for love and understanding. I'm a nice woman, 47, seeking good male, for friendship, possibly more. Box 445332

ARE YOU THE ONE FOR ME?

Caring, cute female, 46, petite, likes socialising, dancing, travelling, good food, seeking intelligent, loyal man 42-52 for love and TLC. Seaford. Box 444366

JANE SEEKING TAZAN

Hi, I'm Jane, 49, 5ft4, love life, animals, gardening and going out, looking for an honest, loving and caring male FOR A LTR. Box 446117

WHERE R U?

Charming, honest, popular blonde, 50yrs old, 5ft2, slim, looking to find an honest, loyal man that can make me happy again. Box 887347

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Help me write my stand-up comedy routine! I'm 49, you'll need to make me laugh out loud and understand observational comedy to make the grade. Box 892640

JUST IMAGINE

Petite, brunette, bubbly, friendly, easygoing single mum, 49, enjoys cinema, eating out, socialising, most things, WLTm genuine male, to see where life takes us! Box 835652

CARING & PROFESSIONAL

Female 49, 5ft4, long hair, slim, likes eating out, the beach, travel, seeks a friendly chap, 46-55. Hastings Box 417100

ENTERTAIN ME

49yrs female, medium build, blonde, quite short, seeking tall, confident, sensual guy for regular winging, dining, LTR genuine, happy, genuine and loving. Box 438854

DIG DEEPER

Genuine, friendly female, 49, likes walks, gardening, nights in/out, seeking genuine, friendly male, 45-55. Dover. Box 435441

FUNNY GIRL

Petite, blonde female, 50, GSOH, likes music, books, films, cooking, looking for romantic soulmate, 40-55, for TLC. Kent. Box 835181

NOTHING VENTURED...

Hi, I'm a 39yr old woman, seeking loving, tactile man. I enjoy walks, countryside, having fun, nights in and out. Box 446282

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ARE YOU MY MR RIGHT?

Independent, honest, caring and genuine smoker, 53, medium build, GSOH, likes socialising, travelling, WLTm a genuine and honest male for friendship, companionship, maybe a LTR. Box 887442

COMPANIONSHIP LAUGHTER, HOPEFULLY MORE

Curvy & cuddly, outgoing, friendly, honest female, 53, 5ft7, larger build, fair hair, likes socialising, country walks, theatre, cinema, music, swimming, WLTm similar loving male. Box 443642

THE POSSIBILITIES ARE ENDLESS

Hi, I'm Teresa, 53yr young, like animals, gardening and ordinary things! WLTm a nice man, my age or younger, for a possible relationship. Box 445707

EXTRA! EXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT IT!

African lady, 58, likes reading, current affairs and travelling, WLTm an outgoing, fun-loving and honest male to share the rest of my life with. Box 445122

DON'T BE SHY, SAY HI!

Positive, happy, young-at-heart Mum, 55, 5ft8, blonde, loves classic rock and blues, country pubs, WLTm like-minded genuine male for friendship and hopefully something more. Box 443855

SOPHISTICATED SUE

Sue, 56yr old, 5ft4, green eyes, petite, loves cooking, holidays, reading and swimming. WLTm a tall professional male, similar age, for friendship and romance. Box 443309

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HELP!

Positive, vivacious female, 59, 5ft4, enjoys art, seaside walks and music, seeks tallish, kind, caring male to grow old with...disgracefully. Box 449493

SOPHISTICATED

Mature female, 60, 5ft8, slim, ash blonde hair, enjoys eating out and going to the cinema, WLTm trustworthy male, GSOH. Box 444586

HOP ON!

Hi, I'm Mark, 6ft, slim/medium build, lots of interests including motorcycling, WLTm a kind and honest female to share fun times and laugh with. Box 445124

A GOOD HEART

Very fit active male, 38, 5ft8, blond hair/blue eyes, loves running, swimming, cycling, the gym, music; WLTm female with great heart and GSOH for romance. Box 446286

TAKING THE OPPORTUNITY

Shy but genuine, loving male, 39, medium build, likes football, rugby, socialising, meals, nights in; seeking similar lady to find lasting and true love with. Box 446336

LOVE-LOVING AND LONG LASTING

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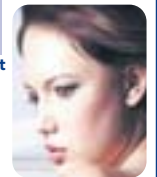
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Pride in a challenge

BY SHEREEN LOW

EDWARD Norton is well-known for his thought-provoking roles.

He's played a reformed neo-Nazi in American History X; a leper king in Kingdom Of Heaven – and the famous green giant known as the Incredible Hulk. Oh, and let's not forget his turn as a singing purple rhinoceros in 2002's Death To Smoochy.

"I guess it's fair to say every actor likes the idea of complexity in a character," Edward explains when asked about his career choices.

"I think we're all trying to find something meaty to work with, or frankly, something that is hard. You get into this [acting] because you want to pin down things that are complicated or hard about people."

The 39-year-old's next role sees him playing Ray Tierney, a New York policeman, in *Pride And Glory*. Edward co-produced the film, which also stars Colin Farrell.

"You learn more about him [Ray] from the things other people say about him than the things he says for a long time, and it's just very mysterious," he explains.

"I found myself reading and wondering what the deal was with him. That's unusual in a script because a lot of times, people make sure you understand the character. To leave a lot of empty space in a character was kind of interesting on a writing level because you end up reading it. That was a particular thing that interested me with this one."

As he questions the morals of those around him, Ray has to decide where his loyalties lie – with his family, or with the institution. Edward says he thinks



COP: Edward Norton's fans know how deeply he gets involved with his characters

this gives the film particular relevance.

"I looked at it and I thought, this has questions in it," he reveals. "This is questioning dynamics our whole country is going through right now and maybe that makes it special to our moment. It's fun

to play cops and robbers but I started to have a special interest in it when I thought this could actually be something that's reflecting the moment we're going through in terms of what the US as a culture is going through, its own sense of the ethics."

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"The more I looked at the script and looked around at what was going on, the more I felt like it was starting to have an extra resonance for me because on some levels, it's about the difficulty of speaking truth to power and the tensions between our loyalties to the people who do this service for us and the need to hold them to a higher standard in terms of the principles."

"And so, all of a sudden, this cop drama had the potential to resonate on things going on in the zeitgeist. That's something that always makes me happy."

While he's used to roles that take him out of his comfort zone, he says it was a challenge to play a cop.

"We've always made heroes out of guys who put the badge on, and the insulation between chaos and everybody else," he says.

The Oscar-nominated actor is also renowned for work behind the camera. He made his directorial debut in 2000's *Keeping The Faith*, and is set to direct upcoming film *Motherless Brooklyn*, as well as an untitled documentary about Barack Obama.



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Over-indulge in high seas fun

BY LIAM CREEDON

MY normal holiday routine involves over indulging on local cuisine to such an extent I have to grease the doors when I get home to move around my flat, but this trip with water sports specialist Sunsail was rather different.

A small group of us, none of whom had stepped foot on a yacht before, had been tasked with turning from sailing 'zeros to heroes' in under a week.

An intensive three-day course would give us the basics. We would then be unleashed upon two 40-foot state of the art, frighteningly expensive yachts, sailing where the wind took us, around the heart-stealing beauty of the Ionian islands, off the west coast of mainland Greece.

We stayed in Vounaki, which boasts all the usual restaurants, pools, sports facilities and entertainment for kids and adults alike. Its elevated position provides a wondrous nightly spectacle as the sun sets slowly behind the jagged peaks of Lefkas Island across the bay.

The work is physically demanding. There is a lot of pulling and hauling. We all boasted blisters and sunburn, but both crews were quietly confident as excellent instructors hammered into us exactly what had to be done.

Then on our final day of training we woke to screaming winds and a gun-metal sky.



SAIL AWAY: Learning to sail makes an unusual change from lazing around in the Greek sun

Everything had changed. Normally placid waters now tossed and shook in ragged vengeance. Surely, conditions would be too severe to sail? Not a chance. Under Greek law you cannot sail in a force six sea — this was only force five.

We began to feel nervous as we set sail. Out of the harbour the sea lurched and surged at the boat, drenching us with freezing run-off. Huge gaps would tear open in the water leav-

ing the yacht to slide sickeningly into the void.

Everyone donned lifejackets. Some tied themselves to the yacht with safety harnesses. A crackling radio message came through — as conditions had hit force six, all boats must return to the harbour. Then the engine cut out.

Our skipper told us these were the worst conditions experienced for a year, and totally out of character for the area. Then, harnessed to the deck, he strode calmly out across the front of the yacht and raised the front sail. "We'll sail back in, it's no problem," he said.

The boat suddenly leapt into life, we twisted around and shot back in the direction of the harbour. Our skipper, a professional sailor, was in his element. The conditions offered him the chance to do some proper sailing at last.

Scrambling back on shore, I felt slightly ashamed. I had the dawning realisation the conditions hadn't been half as dangerous as I'd thought. I also realised I couldn't stop smiling — it was the best fun I'd had in years.

Next morning the sea was once again a vast, azure carpet. Our skipper took us south, passing marjoram and pine-scented islands — the tadpole shaped Meganisi, and the secretive Scorpios, owned by the Onassis family — then on toward Kefalonia, where we were to spend the night.

The following morning we were sailing on a gentle breeze, and it felt terrific.

It was with some reluctance that we stepped back on land for the final time. It could have been the Greek brandy, but as we shared our exploits later that night, I couldn't help but notice that everyone was firmly clutching hold of the bar, and gently swaying.

FACT FILE: GREECE



Time difference	UK plus 2 hrs
Capital	Athens
Population	11.2 million
Language	Greek
Climate	Mediterranean
Religion	Greek Orthodox
Currency	Euro (1.23 to approx £1)

Travel details

• Liam Creedon was a guest of Sunsail Vounaki Club Flotilla, which offers seven nights' half-board in twin/double room plus seven nights on a Sunsail 322 yacht sharing with four people from £699 travelling in late September, including return flights into Preveza and use of Sunsail's watersports equipment, shore-based activities at Club, and fully-equipped cruising yacht on the Flotilla.

• A three-day Flotilla Training Course costs £140 per person.

• Sunsail Clubs reservations: 0844 463 6578 and www.sunsail.co.uk/clubs.



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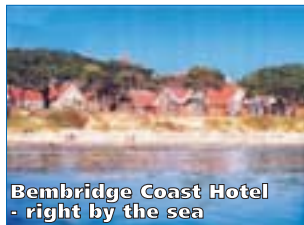
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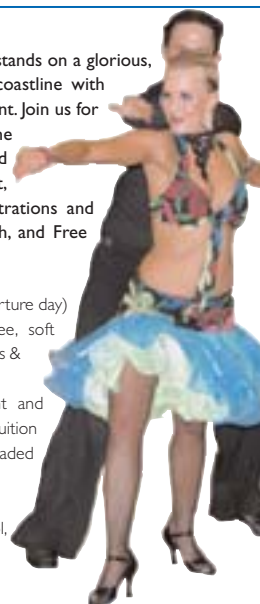
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PROPERTY NEWS

Study shows there are fewer new landlords

THE buy-to-let business is increasingly getting out of the reach of new landlords, according to recent figures.

In a study of about 200 mortgage brokers in the country, it was found that in the third quarter there was an increase in the number of landlords seeking portfolio extension mortgages or remortgages.

Also the number of first-time landlords applying for buy-to-let mortgages shrank to its lowest in recent times.

But experienced landlords now dominate the sector as they build long-term portfolios.

It was also found that in the three months to the end of September, there were more than 55 per cent buy-to-let transactions done for remortgages.

While 30 per cent of landlords wanted to extend their portfolios, only about 2.6 per cent of business was for property substitution.

And of this figure, 10.6 per cent of business in the period was accounted for by first-time landlords, which showed a fall from 18.3 per cent in the third quarter of 2007.

Parents are called on to help young buyers raise deposit

HALF of all first-time home buyers under the age of 30 are getting help from their parents to fund their purchases.

Data from the Council of Mortgage Lenders shows that as lenders have lowered their loan-to-value ratios on mortgages – the amount that can be borrowed against the value of a home – parents have stepped in to fill the gap.

However, first-time buyers are not taking advantage of falling house prices.

The CML data shows the value of a property bought by an 'assisted buy' was £146,000 in the second quarter of 2008 – compared to £145,000 a year ago.

However, parents are being tapped for more cash as higher deposits are needed. The average deposit now is £35,000, compared to £29,201 a year ago, as average loans-to-value on mortgages have dropped from 80.6 per cent to 75.3 per cent for buyers receiving help.

Report reveals a few home truths

Federation plea for greater provision of social housing

BY NICK AMES

HOUSE prices have fallen an average of more than five per cent locally in the last year – but it is still as hard as ever for people to get on to the housing ladder, according to new research from the National Housing Federation.

The credit crunch effect on mortgage availability means price falls are having no impact in making homes more accessible, the study revealed.

A report entitled South East Home Truths: Why the Need for Social Housing is Increasing has been launched by the federation at the House of Commons.

It shows that poor housing supply, affordability problems, and mortgage arrears and repossessions are pushing more people towards social housing for help.

The statistics in the report give a complete picture of housing issues in the area.

The research shows only 70 per cent of the social homes needed are being built in the South East, while waiting lists have grown more than 60 per cent in five years and overcrowding is on the increase.

It also reveals over 200,000 households in the region are now on a waiting list for more suitable housing – affecting close to half a million people.

House-building by private developers fell 22 per cent between June 2007 and June 2008.

The Government believes the South East needs to build 33,125 new homes a year and the South East Regional Assembly has said social housing should account for 35 per cent



STILL CRUNCHED: Young buyers are a rare occurrence as mortgage availability means housing is not affordable

of all new homes; around 11,600 a year.

But Government funding only supported the delivery of 8,200 social homes last year.

Simon Nunn, head of south region for the federation, said: "The South East is perceived as affluent and the place to be, yet look under the veneer and you'll find areas of real poverty and deprivation in the region's cities and in some rural areas.

"We need more homes now. One in every 17 households in the South East is now on a waiting list for a social home.

"With unemployment rising and more families and older people moving towards the

poverty line, a new spike in social housing demand looks inevitable.

"Housing associations can't deliver the homes the region needs without a good borrowing stream from lenders and more support from the Government.

"The economy of the South East is key to the well-being and growth of the country as a whole.

"It's vital we maintain the strong progress housing associations have made in delivering new social homes in recent years, and that we help people get through this tough economic time in the best shape possible."

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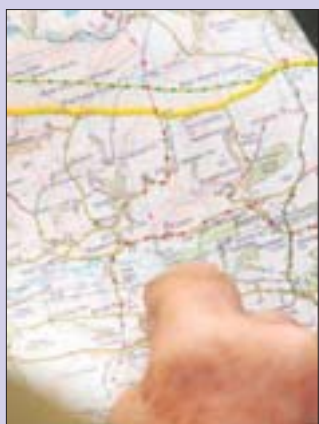
HONDA has announced that the first customers have taken delivery of its much hyped FCX Clarity – the firm's zero emission fuel cell-powered car.

Initially up to 200 customers will begin leasing the car in the United States and Japan over the next three years, with the first few recipients from California.

Film director Ron Yerxa was the first customer to get the keys to an FCX Clarity, followed by actress Jamie Lee Curtis (pictured) and her husband, Christopher Guest.

The FCX Clarity is Honda's next generation, hydrogen-powered fuel cell vehicle.

The car's only emissions are heat and water and its fuel efficiency is three times that of a modern petrol engine.



Shared trips are 'driving couples round the bend'

COUPLES planning a leisurely car trip together are likely to find that it ends in tears, it has been revealed.

More than three-quarters of them have stopped talking thanks to an in-car row over getting lost.

This and disagreeing about directions are the most common reasons for couples arguing in the car when they're supposed to be getting away from it all.

A third of people confess to getting lost on the roads at some time or another, and 61 per cent of British couples admit to having a bust-up because of winding up at the wrong destination or differences of opinion about which route to take – possibly because 59 per cent of drivers don't own electronic route planners.

The gender divide is alive and well on the road too.

Men will wait on average 10 minutes 43 seconds before getting help if they're lost, while women – traditionally less shy about asking for directions – will wait a longer 12 minutes 36 seconds, according to the research by Vodafone.



A LITTLE GEM: VW's Fox first arrived back in 2006, taking over from the Lupo. It is produced at the company's Brazilian plant, hence the economical price of only £6,600.

A Brazilian Volkswagon that'll drive its rivals nuts

WE won't claim VW roared back to the city car sector with the Fox – little cars just don't make that much fuss.

But this little three-door's arrival in 2006 showed how the German giant still saw a point to the baby car sector it abandoned with the demise of the Lupo the year before – now we all get the point as the UK rushes to downsize and cut driving costs.

With prices starting at £6,600, the Fox is also well placed to satisfy that trend – the even smaller Lupo was nudging £8,000 when it got the chop.

This cost-cutting feat was achieved by VW sourcing the newcomer from its tried and tested Brazilian production operation, creating a roomy high-roof design that really can seat four and wears the brand's more premium badge on the front.

At 3.83 metres, the newcomer was 30cms longer than the Lupo yet around 90cms shorter than VW's rather dearer Polo supermini.

But VW squeezed the budget hard to enable the Fox compete in a tight arena and it shows

ROAD TEST VW FOX

BY STEVE LOADER

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Green rating	★★★★★

most in the interior where the plastics simply do not match VW's normally high standards.

Nevertheless, they are competitive with this end of the market and it is hard to see anywhere else where the Brazilian import lets the side down.

The car drives well with a crisp gearshift, good grip and a sensible balance between ride quality and handling.

For now, the engine technology is petrol only and nothing fancy: a 53bhp 1.2-litre or 72bhp 1.4-litre. I actually prefer the 1.2; the official 0-62mph in 16.5 seconds looks glacial, but it seems to have enough power when you need it.

The three-cylinder layout causes some unevenness on tickover, but this settles down well for the motorway and it should average around 45mpg.

Neither powertrain qualifies for the lowest (£35/year) payable road tax band though and standard spec is basic – you need around £600 to trade up to the higher Urban package, bringing electric front windows, body-coloured bumpers and door mirrors, remote central locking and sliding rear bench seat.

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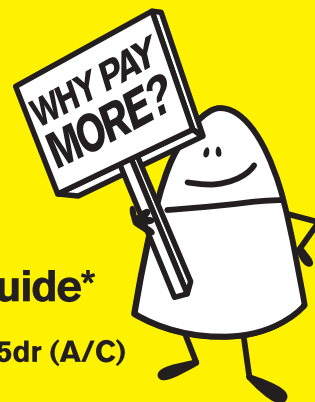
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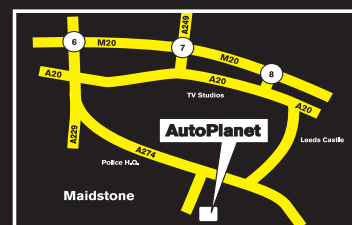
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FORD GALAXY



IF Renault's Espace distilled the essence of the people carrier, Ford mass-produced it. The 1995 vintage Galaxy and its cloned sisters, the VW Sharan and Seat Alhambra, sold in big numbers helped by a combination of style, space and car-like handling. The fact that the Ford soldiered on for 11 years, helped by a superb makeover in 2000, is a tribute to the design. Reliability on early examples is increasingly flaky so post-2000 diesels are the pick of the used crop.

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Quality	★★★★★

CHRYSLER VOYAGER



COMMERCIAL and private buyers have made the Voyager a big hit for Chrysler in the UK. All versions seat seven, but there is more demand for the extra luggage space of 13-inch longer 'Grand' models and those featuring Stow 'n' Go: underfloor stowage that also takes the folded seats. The smooth and powerful post-2004 diesel auto is the powertrain to go for. The Voyager rides comfortably, but bulk, small wheels and vague steering make for a dull drive.

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
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KIA SEDONA



NEVER mind the quality, feel the width describes the Kia Sedona (1999-2006). Replaced by a more sophisticated model, the original is a cheap, reliable and capacious used buy though the interior is tacky, safety features were not up with rivals and it feels lumpy on rural roads while excelling as a comfy motorway muncher. The post-2002 125bhp diesel is the engine to go for if the budget will stretch. Sliding rear doors and a big tailgate make access easy.

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
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For further information or an application pack please contact the Human Resources Department on 0845 207 8222 (24 hour answerphone), email: humanresources@southkent.ac.uk or visit www.southkent.ac.uk

The closing date for the receipt of all completed application forms for the above vacancies is Tuesday 2nd December 2008.

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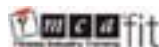
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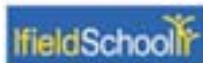
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Band: 6
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Closing date: 27/11/08

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Job Title: Speech & Language Therapy Technical Instructor
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Band: 3
Hours: 37.5
Location: Whitstable, Kent
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Job Title: Speech & Language Therapy Technical Instructor

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Job Title: Occupational Therapist
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Band: 6
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Location: Folkestone
Ref: 767-EIC612
Closing date: 27/11/08

Job Title: Occupational Therapist
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Band: 6
Hours: 37.5
Location: Ashford
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Job Title: Psycho-Social Occupational Therapist x2
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Band: 6
Hours: 37.5
Location: Folkestone
Ref: 767-EIC559
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Job Title: Occupational Therapist (Learning Disabilities)
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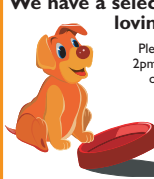
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BUSINESS BRIEFS

Channel trade seminar offers entente cordiale

NEWCRÉATIF, a virtual design and communication agency based in Folkestone and Canterbury, held another successful seminar on design and communication issues for companies trading in France.

The seminar, at the Ramada Hotel, Dover, was attended by local government and business delegates from both sides of the Channel, including Heidelberg International.

It is one of a series of events organised by Transmanche Technology over the last 18 months. All are aimed at improving trade between companies based in Kent and northern France.

Campus open day's competitive edge

MANUFACTURING businesses are being invited to attend an open day at the new Renishaw Centre for Manufacturing Productivity, at the University of Greenwich at Medway, on Wednesday, November 26.

The centre will demonstrate the latest technology and manufacturing systems aimed at making businesses more competitive.

Centre manager Ian Cakebread said: "This is an opportunity to see how the centre can benefit your business with a range of practical training courses, and access to the latest tools and systems."

Register at www.renishaw.info/greenwich or by calling Mr Cakebread on 01634 883858.

Why the sky's the limit

MARKETING innovation and ruthless cost-cutting led to a new breed of air carrier, such as easyJet and Ryanair.

This was marketing guru Tony Anderson's theme at a recent Kent Annual Marketing Lecture, organised by Business Link and the Kent branch of the Chartered Institute of Marketing.

Branch chairman Ian Lockyer said: "He showed us how good marketing makes simplicity a virtue and how low cost does not have to mean low quality. EasyJet's success is a shining example to all marketers."

Kent branch Student of the Year was won by Neil Wilkins of AXA PPP Healthcare, who achieved the highest marks in the CIM's 2008 postgraduate diploma exams.

Down the plughole without liquidity



WAITING FOR THE BOUNCE: A return to sensible lending by banks would help to curtail a vicious circle that is being fuelled by both a lack of liquidity and late payments

BANKS had better pull their fingers out and start lending at sensible levels to struggling businesses, with more than half of UK accountants reporting that bad debt is one of the biggest worries for bosses.

Research by invoice and asset-based lender Venture Finance shows the knock-on effect of a lack of cash.

It then leads to late payments among firms along the chain and is having, unsurprisingly, a major impact.

Up to now lack of liquidity – ready day-to-day cash – in the general banking market has already meant companies face difficulties when trying to refinance, resulting in busi-

BY TONY PATEY

nesses of all sizes experiencing more and more late payments and bad debt.

Venture, which has a regional office in Canterbury covering the whole county, says small and medium-sized enterprises – SMEs – feel threatened by forecasts that the number of business failures between 2007 and 2009 is expected to increase by 18 per cent.

But scores of businesses have no bad debt protection in place, often, it says, a result of having misplaced confidence in their customers. Just one in five of accountants surveyed had business clients currently using protection services.

Tim Bournier, Venture's Canterbury business development manager, said: "The misguided assumption that 'it will never happen to me' is

very dangerous, especially in these uncertain times. It is predicted that insolvency levels will continue to rise throughout this year and next, surpassing even those of the dot.com bubble burst in 2002, which saw almost 20,000 business fail, and the subsequent ripples will be far reaching.

"It is encouraging, however, to see that accountants recognise the value of bad debt protection. Perhaps because they have witnessed the consequences of businesses not doing so in the past."

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Disciplined Sharks make their comeback



BACK ON TRACK: An impressive second-half display and improved discipline earned Dover victory and the valuable two points

DOVER have edged away from the relegation zone in London 2 South with their first league win since September.

Despite going behind, Dover's improved discipline was key to the game, as they showed their class by wrapping up the win in the second half against near neighbours Thanet.

The home side were fired up for the game, but a mistake in the midfield allowed Thanet to open the scoring on 18 minutes. Wanderers intercepted the ball and went on to score in the corner.

It took until the half hour for Dover to register any points, when their first try came via an impressive move from a scrum deep in the Thanet 22.

The ball then passed through several

RUGBY

Dover 37 Thanet Wanderers 15

hands before ending up on the win for Ben Sedgwick to successfully dive over the try line.

However, just before the break Dover fell behind for a second time as Thanet successfully kicked a penalty.

Whatever was said at the interval worked as Dover came out with renewed energy and bossed the second half.

Martyn Beaumont slotted a penalty early on to level the score before Dover scored their second try on 51 minutes.

Ben Murray found Lee Tonks from a

scrum and he made no mistake in finding a gap in the defence to score.

Minutes later the lead was extended and game put further out of the reach of Thanet, as Sedgwick scored his second try of the game followed by a third shortly after.

Dover completed the victory with Beaumont scoring in the dying minutes, much to the delight of coach Graham Tonks.

He said: "This was a good solid performance. Apart from one or two areas of our game, my forwards were superb."

"Their hard work allowed the backs to score some breathtaking tries."

Dover will travel to Chingford RFC to compete in the EDF Intermediate cup this Saturday.

Deal move away from drop zone

DEAL & Betteshanger RFC secured their third win of the season in style by thrashing struggling Lordswood.

The Lions were just too strong in all departments for Lordswood as a try fest ensued, ending in a 52-3 victory in front of their home crowd.

The win has given Deal & Betteshanger a much needed boost in London South East 3 to take them away from the relegation zone in eighth place.

A trip to Aylesford Bulls on Tuesday, November 25 will be the Lions' next test in the league. Fourth-placed Bulls have been in impressive form and will provide a tough game.

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A lack of funds has prevented the Gills gaining new players, says Mark Stimson

Vahid strikes again for improving Town

STUART Vahid's strike was enough to salvage a point for Deal Town as they moved up to eighth in the Kent League.

Town went into the game unbeaten in their last four, but fell behind with just 16 minutes played as Dean Kearley opened the scoring.

However, three minutes before the break Vahid found the net with an equaliser. Neither side could find a winning goal and the game finished 1-1.

Manager Derek Hares has been awarded manager of the month award for October. His side will be back in league action this Saturday as they host Tunbridge Wells.

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RUN CONTINUES: Alan Pouton (left) led the second half comeback with a stunning strike before Jerahl Hughes (right) wrapped up victory for the Whites at Crabbie

Pouton and Hughes spare Dover's blushes at Crabbie

FOOTBALL

BY TOM HOWARD

Dover Athletic 2

Pouton 76 Hughes 79

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King 48

prise lead with their first shot on target. Robbie King's free-kick gave goalkeeper John Whitehouse no chance as the ball flew into the top corner.

Dover fans thought they had equalised minutes later, but Jerahl Hughes' goal-bound effort cannoned off the cross bar via John Keister.

Athletic made changes to try and force the game with Jon Wallis making his return from eight weeks on the sidelines.

The changes worked and Alan Pouton grabbed an equaliser with a thumping drive into the roof of the net on 76 minutes.

Three minutes later Dover completed their

Dover starting XI



Grazioli (Collin) 44, Jones (Gore) 64, Wallis (Keister) 60

comeback with Wallis and Grazioli combining to find Hughes, who beat two defenders before firing into the net.

Whites manager Hessenthaler was pleased by his side's come back but admitted he feared a repeat of last season's 1-0 defeat to Chatham was on the cards.

He said: "We played 90 per cent of the football and with the amount of chances we created we could have been five up by half-time. I did think to myself with all the chances that we missed the game was turning into one like Chatham last year. Pouton scored a great goal to level and deserved the man of the match award."

Jekyll and Hyde Invicta earn share of the spoils

FOOTBALL

BY YOURSHEPWAY REPORTER

Kingstonian 1

Lodge 52

Folkestone Invicta 1

Dryden 45

A DEAN Lodge goal prevented Folkestone Invicta from securing all three points against the Ryman South league leaders on Saturday.

After a disappointing 2-2 defeat to struggling Crowborough Athletic last time out, Neil Cugley's young side were keen to bounce back. With high-flying Kingstonian only defeated once in the league this season, Invicta were prepared for a tough test but were forced to defend resolutely to clinch a point.

Folkestone rode their luck in the first half as Kingstonian felt they should have been awarded a penalty. The referee seemed to point to the spot only to give the decision in favour of Invicta.

On the stroke of half-time Folkestone broke the deadlock with Jimmy Dryden's 13th goal of the season.

The striker was first to react in a goal mouth scramble, poking the ball into the net beyond Kingstonian goalkeeper Luke Garrard to give Invicta a 1-0 lead at the break.

Just minutes into the second half Kingstonian fought back and levelled the game through Lodge. The striker broke through the hard working Folkestone defence



DESERVED POINT: Folkestone's Jimmy Dryden (left) and Jimmy Jackson helped secure a point against Kingstonian



Picture: LAWRENCE ARNOLD and IFCR KIPCO

Folkestone starting XI



to slot past goalkeeper Charlie Mitten.

Kingstonian upped their game as they went in search of a winning goal, but both Bobby Traynor and Lodge squandered opportunities to wrap up the game.

Manager Cugley was impressed by his side's performance and in particular his defence, who withstood a lot of pressure during the second half.

Cugley said: "I am very pleased with the performance. To go 1-0 up against Kingstonian was impressive but unfortunately we could not hold on to it. We are playing a very young defence at the moment but they did very well to get the draw."

This Friday the club are to update supporters on their financial situation.

Folkestone are back in league action on Saturday when they take on Merstham at the Buzzlines Stadium as they hope to maintain their place in the play-off positions.

Cugley rubbishes rumours of Dryden wanting move

FOOTBALL

DEFENDER Matt Bourne and midfielder Mark Green are the latest players to leave financially-troubled Folkestone Invicta.

The former Dover Athletic defender, who joined Invicta from the reigning Ryman South champions during the summer, cancelled his contract following the 2-0 defeat to Crowborough Athletic two weeks ago.

Also leaving is fellow summer recruit Green, who has signed for Gary Abbott's Sittingbourne after just three months at Invicta. Green joined Invicta from Ryman North champions Dartford at the start of the season.

Rumours have been circulating about the future of top scorer Jimmy Dryden, linking him with a potential move to Metropolitan Police.

The fellow Ryman South side have already signed Lee Gledhill and Nick Humphrey from Invicta after the announcement regarding the financial situation at the club was made last month.

Cugley rubbished those rumours and believes Dryden, who has scored 13 times this season, will be staying put at the Buzzlines Stadium.

He said: "I am not quite sure where these rumours are coming from but as far as I am concerned he is staying at the club."

"I think they started just before we played Metropolitan Police to unsettle us."

Cugley has revealed he is looking at reserves striker Jon Driscoll for a potential move into the first team.



Picture: LAWRENCE ARNOLD

EXIT: Matt Bourne has left Folkestone Invicta and is searching for a new club after cancelling his contract

The 17-year-old has been in amongst the goals this season, scoring twice to knock out Dover reserves in the HAUC Division first and second division cup earlier this month.

RUGBY

Whitstable 13 Folkestone 15



NARROW WIN: Fell's penalty gave Folkestone victory

Last-gasp penalty earns valuable win

A MISSED Whitstable penalty in the dying minutes proved crucial for Folkestone, who held on to a narrow victory against their Kent rivals.

It was the home side who opened the scoring in a slow starting game. Folkestone gave away a penalty and Whitstable made no mistake by calmly slotting the ball between the posts.

Folkestone struggled in the scrum as Whitstable's forwards proved too strong in the contact area. It was left to the backs to provide the scoring opportunities.

It didn't take long for Folkestone to open their account as Seyhan Fell finished off an impressive move for the first try of the game. Alex Dos Santos charged down the right wing before passing to Fell, who beat the full-back to cross the try line. Fell added the extras to give Folkestone a 7-3 lead.

Dos Santos increased Folkestone's lead minutes later by scoring a try from a line out. Will Massey out-foxed Whitstable with a long throw which found the winger who used his pace to give Folkestone a 12-3 lead at the break.

At the start of the second half Whitstable had the chance to reduce the deficit and duly took their opportunity with a well taken penalty.

Folkestone continued to struggle with the Whitstable forwards and were unable to gain possession or territory.

In the final minutes of the game Whitstable marched down the left wing and scored a try which they converted to give them a one-point lead.

Folkestone immediately fought back knowing defeat was staring them in the face and managed to get into the Whitstable 22 only for a penalty to be awarded and the ball cleared.

However, with a minute remaining Folkestone were awarded a penalty which should have wrapped up the match. Fell, who had impressed throughout the game, gave Folkestone the lead with an accurate kick.

Just as Folkestone thought they had won the game, Whitstable were awarded a penalty in injury-time on the half-way line. The fly-half was forced to kick, but the attempt went narrowly wide securing a win for the visitors.

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READY TO PLAY: Maidstone Rangers have benefited

Disability league is now up and running

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Just a year ago, disabled adults in the county had no means of competitive football as the Kent Youth Disability League only allowed children to play up to the age of 16.

As of last month this changed when a two-division league was set up after the Football Association agreed to the idea put forward by Maidstone Raiders' disability coach John Harvey and the Kent FA.

Teams from Thanet, Shepway, Larkfield, Maidstone and Canterbury have all benefited by entering into the league, which is proving to be a huge success.

Harvey said: "The adult league is well and truly up and running. I am over the moon that adults with disability have a competitive league in which to play. Kent should be very proud of the league and the FA have shown great interest in the work we are doing."

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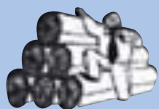
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